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11. (C) The Ambassador made REFTEL points to MFA U/S Sinirlioglu on September 14, underscoring that congratulatory messages should not be premature. Sinirlioglu said Ankara already is aware of USG concerns and intends to be careful about extending congratulations. He noted that the Turkish Government "has no doubt" that President Karzai won the election, but nevertheless prefers to wait until the results are official.

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